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REMARKS


Claims 1, 2, 4, 6, 13, 14, 16-27 and 38-47 are pending in the present application. In the Final Office Action mailed May 11, 2005, claims 1, 4, 6, 26 and 27 were rejected. In this response, claims 1 and 40 have been amended, and claim 38 has been cancelled. Reconsideration of the present application as amended and including claims 1, 2, 4, 6, 13, 14, 16-27 and 39-47 is respectfully requested.

Claim 1 has been amended to include the features recited in claim 38. Claim 38 has been cancelled. Claim 38 was indicated to recite allowable subject matter, and claim 1 is therefore believed allowable at least since it includes the features of claim 38.

Claim 40 has been amended to include the features recited in original claim 1. Claim 40 was indicated to be allowable, and has been rewritten in independent form. Allowance of the same is respectfully requested.

The remaining claims either depend from an allowable bas claim and/or recite allowable subject matter. Therefore, the present application including claims 1, 2, 4, 6, 13, 14, 16-27 and 39-47 is believed to be in condition for allowance, and a Notice of Allowance is respectfully solicited. Should it facilitate allowance of the application, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned.

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